

45. A recombinant expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 8.
46. A recombinant expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 35.
47. A recombinant expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 39.
48. A recombinant expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 42.
49. A host cell transformed with the recombinant expression vector of claim 45.
50. A host cell transformed with the recombinant expression vector of claim of claim 46.
51. A host cell transformed with the recombinant expression vector of claim of claim 47.
52. A host cell transformed with the recombinant expression vector of claim of claim 48.

REMARKS

In a telephone conversation with Examiner Scheiner on June 12, 1996, Applicants provisionally elected, with traverse, to prosecute the invention of Group II, claims 8, 9, and 35-52, Applicants also elected the species of the full-length nucleic acid sequence with encodes PM-1. Applicants hereby affirm this election.

Rejection of Claims 8, 9, 35, 37-41, 44-47, and 49-52 Under U.S.C. 112, second paragraph

Claims 8, 9, 35, 37-41, 44-47, and 49-52 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph "as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention". Particularly, the Examiner states that "the claims should make specific reference to SEQ ID NO:1".

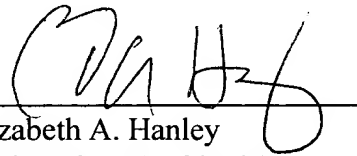
The claims have been amended pursuant to the Examiner's suggestion.

SUMMARY

The above rejections and objections are either improper or do not pertain to the claims as newly amended and should be withdrawn. The claims are in condition for allowance. Any amendments to and/or cancellation of the claims should in no way be construed as an acquiescence to any of the objections and/or rejections of record. The amendments and/or cancellations are being made to expedite prosecution of the above-identified application. Applicants reserve the right to file the same or similar claims in this or another application.

If a telephone conversation with applicant's attorney would expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application, the examiner is urged to call applicant's attorney at (617) 227-7400.

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